

## Kingston Lake Environment Awareness Network (KLEAN) - Update for February 2008

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**GREETINGS** from the Kingston Lake Environment Awareness Network (**KLEAN**)!

About once a month, you will receive an e-update with the latest information about Kingston Lake, Crabtree Swamp, and the Waccamaw River. Let's see what's been happening lately and what's coming up.

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### Events and Announcements

Conway has hired a Stormwater Manager! Originally hailing from the State of Washington, Joe Dignam now lives in the Crabtree Swamp Watershed and has extensive experience with stormwater management in the private sector. His primary responsibilities will be to implement the City's Stormwater Management Plan and to meet the program requirements for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase II stormwater permit issued to the City by S.C. Dept. of Health and Environmental Control. Joe may be contacted at Conway's Public Works Department ([jdignam@cityofconway.com](mailto:jdignam@cityofconway.com), 248-1730).

The next meeting of the Conway Water Quality and Drainage Commission will be held on **March 19th at 6 PM**. Commission meetings are held in Conway City Hall on 3rd Avenue and Main Street in the conference room on the first floor. A public input period is always scheduled.

The Horry County Stormwater Advisory Board will hold its next regular meeting on **March 25th at 3 PM** in Multi-purpose Room D of the Horry County Government and Justice Center on 2nd Avenue in Conway. A public input period is always scheduled. For more information, visit <http://www.horrycounty.org/stormwater/index.asp?page=9>.

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### This Month's Feature – River Clean-up

Several times each year, the Waccamaw Riverkeeper sponsors volunteer clean-ups of the Waccamaw River. During these cleanups, it is not uncommon for the group to come away with 500 pounds of trash! Without these cleanups, just think how much junk would be fouling the beautiful Waccamaw! Your next opportunity to help clean up the River around Conway is from **9:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**. Meet at the Conway Marina and bring gloves and boats, if you have them. Cleanup will occur along the banks and on the river in boats (not required). Plan for a free lunch of hot dogs, baked beans, and drinks after a morning of hard work. The River needs your help, so come out and lend a hand! For more information, contact the Waccamaw Riverkeeper, Christine Ellis ([wrk@coastal.edu](mailto:wrk@coastal.edu) or 349-4007), or Rick Rickenbaker (340-6861 or 626-5405 [work]).

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### Learn More

If you are looking for a speaker for your group's next meeting, why not book a presentation about water quality or wetlands? David Fuss and Dr. Susan Libes of Coastal Carolina University are available for presentations geared for citizen groups. For more information, contact David Fuss at 843-349-4023 or [dfuss@coastal.edu](mailto:dfuss@coastal.edu).

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